

CHAPTER IV—ADMINISTRATION OF LAND.

(i) Occupied Area and Tenure.

386. The total recorded area of the State was 213,26,676 acres including the district of Bellary transferred to the State with effect from 1st October 1953. Deducting the extent of (i) 13,33,382 acres covered by alienated lands and (ii) 89,60,448 acres consisting of minor inams, forests, uncultivable waste which were not available for cultivation, a net extent of 110,82,846 acres was available for cultivation.

387. The net area cropped during the year was 81,89,355 acres.

388. The number of ryotwari holdings separately registered in the State was 12,61,106 with an extent of 86,87,514 acres. This excludes information relating to Bellary District where it is reported that the number of ryotwari holdings separately registered was 1,14,114.

(ii) Land Records, Survey and Settlement.

389. In Government villages 15,245 (10,613) darkhast, hadbust and miscellaneous records were disposed of and measurements were made in 27,876 (21,361) survey numbers involving an extent of 99,947 acres and 11 guntas (78,743 acres). Classification was done in respect of 10,886 (8,917) survey numbers comprising an area of 40,954 acres 33 guntas (34,785 acres).

390. Bandh Pahani of 10,178 (8,265) survey numbers in 3,081 (2,243) villages was done.

391. Two hundred and thirteen (114) cases of encroachment comprising an extent of 219 acres and 15 guntas (156 acres 21 guntas) with the probable assessment of Rs. 267 were detected.

392. By measuring 47,909 (39,528) hissas, 35,271 (24,658) mutation cases were disposed of.

393. Some of the special items of work attended to by the department were :—

(i) Demarcation of lands belonging to Military coepartment in 6 villages of Bangalore North Taluk was Dnducted.